High Level Committee for Muslims

3362. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set up any High Level Committee to study living conditions of Muslims;

(b) if so, whether the Committee has held its meeting recently;

(c) if so, the details of the discussions held there at;

(d) whether Government have prepared any draft report; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) Yes, Madam.

(b) No.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No.

(e) Does not arise.

Elderly persons

3363. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated number of elderly persons;

(b) whether most of these elderly persons have been neglected by their families and the State Governments, and have no place to live in and are living below poverty line;

(c) the details of the old-age homes, State-wise;

(d) whether Government provide any assistance to these old-age homes;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether Government propose to set up sorne more Government-run old-age homes to give better living conditions and health care facilities to elderly persons; and